

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE **GOVERNOR**

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September 20, 2012

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Field Office 151 Patton Avenue, Room 208 Asheville, NC 28801-5006

ATTN:

Ms. Lori Beckwith **NCDOT** Coordinator

Subject:

Application for Section 404 Regional General Permit 198200031 and Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the proposed replacement of Bridge No. 655 over the Broad River on SR 2797 in Buncombe County, Federal Aid Project No. BRZ-2797(1); Division 13; TIP No. B-4715, \$240.00

Debit Work Order WBS Element 38489.1.1.

Dear Madam:

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) proposes to replace Bridge No. 655 over the Broad River on SR 2797 with a 110-foot, 2 span cored slab bridge. There will be 60 linear feet of permanent impacts to surface waters from bank stabilization. There will also be <0.01 acre of permanent fill and <0.01 acre of hand clearing in a wetland from the bridge replacement. In addition, 64 feet of temporary impacts to surface waters will result from causeways for bridge demolition and construction.

Please see enclosed copies of the Pre-Construction Notification (PCN), North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission Letter, stormwater management plan, permit drawings, and design plans for the above-referenced project. The Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE) was completed in July 2011 and was distributed shortly thereafter. Additional copies are available upon request.

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Correspondence from the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) dated February 11, 2008 states that a trout moratorium extending from January 1 to April 15 will be instituted for the project. By copy of this letter and attachment, NCDOT herby requests NCWRC review and forward for any updated comments for this project to the Army Corps of Engineers and the NCDOT within 30 calendar days of receipt of this application.

This project calls for a letting date of April 16, 2013 and a review date of February 19, 2013; however, the let date may advance as additional funding becomes available.

A copy of this permit application and its distribution list will be posted on the NCDOT website at: http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/pe/neu/permit.html. If you have any questions or need additional information, please e-mail Jeff Hemphill at jhemphill@ncdot.gov.

Sincerely

Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph.D. Manager

Project Development & Environmental Analysis

Cc: NCDOT Permit Application Standard Distribution List File





Office Use Only:
Corps action ID no.
DWQ project no
Form Version 1.3 Dec 10 2008

Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) Form								
A. Applicant Information								
1. Processing								
Type(s) of approval sought from Corps:	the	⊠ Section 404 Pe	ermit	on 10 Permit				
1b. Specify Nationwide Permit (NWF) number:	OI	r General Permit ((GP) number: 19	8200031			
1c. Has the NWP or GP number be	en verified k	by the Corps?		☐ Yes	⊠No			
1d. Type(s) of approval sought from	the DWQ (check all that apply):					
	on – Regula	r 🔲 Nor	n-404 Jurisdictions	al General Permi	t ·			
☐ 401 Water Quality Certification	on – Expres	s 🗌 Ripa	arian Buffer Autho	orization				
1e. Is this notification solely for the because written approval is not		For the record on Certification:	ly for DWQ 401	For the record	only for Corps Permit:			
	·	☐ Yes	⊠ No	☐ Yes	⊠ No			
1f. Is payment into a mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program proposed for mitigation of impacts? If so, attach the acceptance letter from mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program.					⊠ No			
1g. Is the project located in any of NC's twenty coastal counties. If yes, answer 1h ☐ Yes ☐ No below.					⊠ No			
1h. Is the project located within a NC	DCM Area	of Environmental (Concern (AEC)?	☐ Yes	⊠ No			
2. Project Information								
2a. Name of project:	Replacen	nent of Bridge #655	over the Broad R	liver on SR 2797				
2b. County:	Buncomb	е						
2c. Nearest municipality / town:	Black Mo	untain						
2d. Subdivision name:	not applic	able						
2e. NCDOT only, T.I.P. or state project no:	B-4715							
3. Owner Information								
3a. Name(s) on Recorded Deed:	North Car	olina Department o	of Transportation					
3b. Deed Book and Page No.	not applicable							
3c. Responsible Party (for LL C if applicable):	not applicable							
3d. Street address:	1598 Mail Service Center							
3e. City, state, zip:	Raleigh, NC 27699-1598							
3f. Telephone no.:	(919) 707	-6126	•		·			
3g. Fax no.:	(919) 212	-5785						
. Email address: jhemphill@ncdot.gov								

4. Applicant Information (if	Applicant Information (if different from owner)								
4a. Applicant is:	☐ Agent ☐ Other, specify:								
4b. Name:	not applicable								
4c. Business name (if applicable):									
4d. Street address:									
4e. City, state, zip:									
4f. Telephone no.:									
4g. Fax no.:									
4h. Email address:									
5. Agent/Consultant Informa	ion (if applicable)	_							
5a. Name:	not applicable								
5b. Business name (if applicable):									
5c. Street address:									
5d. City, state, zip:									
5e. Telephone no.:									
5f. Fax no.:									
5g. Email address:									

В.	B. Project Information and Prior Project History							
1.	Property Identification							
1a.	Property identification no. (tax PIN or parcel ID):	not applicable						
1b.	Site coordinates (in decimal degrees):	Latitude: 35.3 (DD.DDD		Longitude: - 82.1519 (-DD.DDDDDD)				
1c.	Property size:	0.68 acres						
2.	Surface Waters							
2a.	Name of nearest body of water (stream, river, etc.) to proposed project:	Broad River						
2b.	Water Quality Classification of nearest receiving water:	C;Tr						
-2c.	River basin:	Broad		1				
3.	Project Description			,				
3a.	Describe the existing conditions on the site and the general lar application: Rural residential	nd use in the vio	cinity of the pro	ject at the time of this				
3h	List the total estimated acreage of all existing wetlands on the	property:						
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30	List the total estimated linear feet of all existing streams (interm	nittent and nere	nial) on the nr	onerty:				
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3d.	Explain the purpose of the proposed project: To replace a structurally deficient (and/ or) functionally obsolet	e bridge.						
3e.	Describe the overall project in detail, including the type of equi	•						
	The project involves replacing a 101-foot bridge with a 110-foot an off-site detour. Standard road building equipment, such as							
4.	Jurisdictional Determinations							
4a.	Have jurisdictional wetland or stream determinations by the Corps or State been requested or obtained for this property / project (including all prior phases) in the past? Comments:	☐ Yes	⊠ No	Unknown				
4b.	If the Corps made the jurisdictional determination, what type of determination was made?	☐ Preliminar	y 🗌 Final					
4c.	If yes, who delineated the jurisdictional areas? Name (if known):	Agency/Cons Other:	ultant Compan	y:				
4d.	If yes, list the dates of the Corps jurisdictional determinations of	or State determi	nations and att	ach documentation.				
5.	Project History		4.4					
5a.	Have permits or certifications been requested or obtained for this project (including all prior phases) in the past?	☐ Yes	⊠ No	Unknown				
5b.	If yes, explain in detail according to "help file" instructions.							
6.	Future Project Plans	.,						
6a.	Is this a phased project?	☐ Yes	⊠ No					
6b.	If yes, explain.							
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C. Proposed Imp	acts Inventory					
1. Impacts Summ	ary					
1a. Which sections	were completed b	elow for your project	(check all that a	apply):		
⊠ Wetlands		Streams - tributaries	. □ Bu	iffers	•	
☐ Open Waters	s 🔲 F	Pond Construction				
2. Wetland Impac	ts					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		on the site, then com	plete this ques	tion for each wetland	area impacted	l
2a.	2b.	2c.	2d	2e. Type of jurisd	I .	2f.
Wetland impact number – Permanent (P) or Temporary (T)	Type of impact	Type of wetland (if known)	Forested	(Corps - 404	, 10	Area of impact (acres)
Site 1 🛛 P 🗌 T	Fill	Seep	☐ Yes ☒ No	⊠ Corps □ DWQ		<0.01
Site 2 P T			☐ Yes	⊠ Corps		
Site 3 P T			☐ Yes	☐ Corps		······································
Site 4 P T			☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Corps		
Site 5 P T			☐ Yes	☐ Corps		
Site 6 P T			☐ Yes	☐ Corps		
				2g. Total wetla l	nd impacts	<0.01 Permanent <0.01 Temporary
2h. Comments: The	re will be <0.01 ac	res of hand clearing i	n the wetland.			
3. Stream Impacts If there are perennia question for all strea	l or intermittent st		ng temporary ir	mpacts) proposed on	the site, then	complete this
3a. Stream impact number - Permanent (P) or Temporary (T)	3b. Type of impact	3c. Stream name	3d. Perennial (PER) or intermittent (INT)?	3e. Type of jurisdiction (Corps - 404, 10 DWQ – non-404, other)	3f. Average stream width (feet)	3g. Impact length (linear feet)
Site 1 ⊠ P □ T	Bank Stabilization	Broad River	⊠ PER □ INT	⊠ Corps ⊠ DWQ	38	60
Site 2 ☐ P ☑ T	Causeway	Broad River	⊠ PER □ INT	⊠ Corps ⊠ DWQ	38	64
Site 3 P T	,		☐ PER ☐ INT	☐ Corps ☐ DWQ		
Site 4 P T		,	☐ PER ☐ INT	☐ Corps ☐ DWQ		
Site 5 P T			☐ PER ☐ INT	☐ Corps ☐ DWQ		
Site 6 P T			☐ PER ☐ INT	☐ Corps ☐ DWQ		
3h. Total stream and tributary impacts						

3i. Comme	3i. Comments:									
4. Open	Water In	npacts								
	If there are proposed impacts to lakes, ponds, estuaries, tributaries, sounds, the Atlantic Ocean, or any other open water of the U.S. then individually list all open water impacts below.									
4a.		4b.	4c.				4d.		4e.	
Open w impact nu Permaner Tempora	mber – nt (P) or ary (T)	Name of waterbody (if applicable)		Тур	e of impac	t 	Waterboo	ly type	Area of im	pact (acres)
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O2 🔲 F	Р П Т									· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
O3 ☐ F										
04 🗌 F	? <u>П</u> Т				•					
4f. Total open water impacts X Permanent X Temporary										
4g. Comm	ents:									
5. Pond	or Lake	Construction								
If pond or	lake cons	struction proposed,	then con	nplete	the chart b	elow.				
5a.	5b.		5c. W€	etland	Impacts (a	cres)	5d. Strea	ım Impac	cts (feet)	5e. Upland
Pond ID number		posed use or pose of pond			<u> </u>	Excavat		<u> </u>		(acres)
		pood of point	Flood	led	Filled	ed	Flooded	Filled	Excavated	Flooded
P1										
P2										
		5f. Total								
5g. Comm	ents:					r				
5h. Is a dam high hazard permit required?				ΠY	'es	□No	If yes, peri	mit ID no	:	
5i. Exped	ted pond	surface area (acre	s):							
5j. Size o	of pond w	atershed (acres):								
5k. Metho	d of cons	struction:								

6. Buffer Impacts (for DWQ)								
If project will impact a protected riparian buffer, then complete the chart below. If yes, then individually list all buffer impacts below. If any impacts require mitigation, then you MUST fill out Section D of this form.								
6a.	6a. ☐ Neuse ☐ Tar-Pamlico ☐ Other:							
Project is in which	protected basin?		☐ Catawba	Randleman				
6b.	6c.	6d.	6e.	6f.	6g.			
Buffer impact number – Permanent (P) or	Reason for impact	Stream name	Buffer mitigation required?	Zone 1 impact (square feet)	Zone 2 impact (square feet)			
Temporary (T) B1 P T			☐ Yes ☐ No					
B2			☐ Yes ☐ No					
ВЗ □Р□Т			☐ Yes ☐ No					
	6h. Total buffer impacts							
6i. Comments:			·					

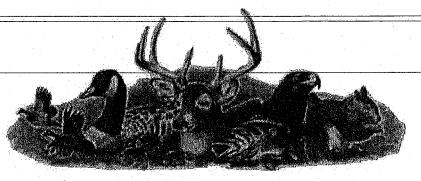
D. Impact Justification and Mitigation							
1. Avoidance and Minimization							
1a. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize	the proposed impacts	in designing project.					
An off site detour will be utilized thus reducing onsite impar	cts.						
1b. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize	the proposed impacts	through construction techniques.					
The North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission (WRC) issued a Trout Moratorium on February 11, 2008 for in stream construction covering the trout-spawning period from January 1 to April 15. The North Carolina Division of Water Quality (NCDWQ) has designated the Broad River as trout waters; therefore, Design Standards in Sensitive Watersheds will be implemented for this project.							
2. Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts to Waters of the	U.S. or Waters of the	State					
2a. Does the project require Compensatory Mitigation for	☐ Yes						
impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State? If no, explain: Permanent impacts of 60 feet due to bank stabilization will not cause loss of waters.							
2b. If yes, mitigation is required by (check all that apply):	□ DWQ □ Co	prps					
If yes, which mitigation option will be used for this project?	 ☐ Mitigation bank ☐ Payment to in-lieu fee program ☐ Permittee Responsible Mitigation 						
3. Complete if Using a Mitigation Bank							
3a. Name of Mitigation Bank: not applicable		•					
3b. Credits Purchased (attach receipt and letter)	Туре	Quantity					
3c. Comments:							
4. Complete if Making a Payment to In-lieu Fee Program							
4a. Approval letter from in-lieu fee program is attached.	Yes						
4b. Stream mitigation requested:	linear feet	•					
4c. If using stream mitigation, stream temperature:	☐ warm ☐ co	ool					
4d. Buffer mitigation requested (DWQ only):	square feet						
4e. Riparian wetland mitigation requested:	acres						
4f. Non-riparian wetland mitigation requested:	4f. Non-riparian wetland mitigation requested: acres						
4g. Coastal (tidal) wetland mitigation requested:	acres						
4h. Comments:							
5. Complete if Using a Permittee Responsible Mitigation	Plan						
5a. If using a permittee responsible mitigation plan, provide a	description of the propo	osed mitigation plan.					

	nen identify the square feet of mitigation required.	of impact to each zone	of the riparian buffer tha	at requires mitigation. Calculate the
Zone	6c. Reason for impact	6d. Total impact (square feet)	Multiplier	6e. Required mitigation (square feet)
Zone 1			3 (2 for Catawba)	
Zone 2			1.5	
		6f. Total buffer	mitigation required:	
	mitigation is required, discu ee responsible riparian buffe			nyment to private mitigation bank, fee fund).

E. Stormwater Management and Diffuse Flow Plan (required by DWQ)							
1. Diffuse Flow Plan							
Does the project include or is it adjacent to protected riparian buffers identified within one of the NC Riparian Buffer Protection Rules?	☐ Yes	⊠ No					
If yes, then is a diffuse flow plan included? If not, explain why. Comments: If required from 1a, see attached buffer permit drawings.	☐ Yes	□ No					
2. Stormwater Management Plan							
2a. What is the overall percent imperviousness of this project?	N/A						
2b. Does this project require a Stormwater Management Plan?	⊠ Yes	□ No					
2c. If this project DOES NOT require a Stormwater Management Plan, explain why:		•					
2d. If this project DOES require a Stormwater Management Plan, then provide a brief, na See attached permit drawings.	rrative description	n of the plan:					
2e. Who will be responsible for the review of the Stormwater Management Plan?		cal Government water Program nit					
3. Certified Local Government Stormwater Review		·					
3a. In which local government's jurisdiction is this project?	not applicable						
3b. Which of the following locally-implemented stormwater management programs apply (check all that apply):	☐ Phase II ☐ NSW ☐ USMP ☐ Water Suppl ☐ Other:	ly Watershed					
3c. Has the approved Stormwater Management Plan with proof of approval been attached?	☐ Yes	□No					
4. DWQ Stormwater Program Review	•						
4a. Which of the following state-implemented stormwater management programs apply (check all that apply):	Coastal could HQW ORW Session La	inties w 2006-246					
4b. Has the approved Stormwater Management Plan with proof of approval been attached?	☐ Yes	□No					
5. DWQ 401 Unit Stormwater Review							
5a. Does the Stormwater Management Plan meet the appropriate requirements?	☐ Yes	□ No N/A					
5b. Have all of the 401 Unit submittal requirements been met?	☐ Yes	□ No N/A					

F. Supplementary Information							
1. Environmental Documentation (DWQ Requirement)							
Does the project involve an expenditure of public (federal/state/local) funds or the use of public (federal/state) land?	⊠ Yes □ No						
1b. If you answered "yes" to the above, does the project require preparation of an environmental document pursuant to the requirements of the National or State (North Carolina) Environmental Policy Act (NEPA/SEPA)?	⊠ Yes □ No						
1c. If you answered "yes" to the above, has the document review been finalized by the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a copy of the NEPA or SEPA final approval letter.)	⊠ Yes □ No						
Comments:							
2. Violations (DWQ Requirement)							
2a. Is the site in violation of DWQ Wetland Rules (15A NCAC 2H .0500), Isolated Wetland Rules (15A NCAC 2H .1300), DWQ Surface Water or Wetland Standards, or Riparian Buffer Rules (15A NCAC 2B .0200)?	☐ Yes						
2b. Is this an after-the-fact permit application?	☐ Yes						
2c. If you answered "yes" to one or both of the above questions, provide an explanation of	of the violation(s):						
3. Cumulative Impacts (DWQ Requirement)							
3a. Will this project (based on past and reasonably anticipated future impacts) result in	☐ Yes						
additional development, which could impact nearby downstream water quality?	⊠ No						
3b. If you answered "yes" to the above, submit a qualitative or quantitative cumulative improved most recent DWQ policy. If you answered "no," provide a short narrative description.	3b. If you answered "yes" to the above, submit a qualitative or quantitative cumulative impact analysis in accordance with the most recent DWQ policy. If you answered "no," provide a short narrative description.						
Due to the minimal transportation impact resulting from this bridge replacement, this pland uses nor stimulate growth. Therefore, a detailed indirect or cumulative effects st							
4. Sewage Disposal (DWQ Requirement)							
4a. Clearly detail the ultimate treatment methods and disposition (non-discharge or discharge the proposed project, or available capacity of the subject facility.	arge) of wastewater generated from						
not applicable							

5.	5. Endangered Species and Designated Critical Habitat (Corps Requirement)						
5a.	Will this project occur in or near an are habitat?	ea with federally protected species or	⊠ Yes	□ No			
5b.	Have you checked with the USFWS compacts?	Have you checked with the USFWS concerning Endangered Species Act impacts?					
5c.	If yes, ind icate the USFWS Field Office	☐ Raleigh ☐ Asheville					
5d.	What data sources did you use to dete Habitat?	ermine whether your site would impact Er	ndangered Species or De	esignated Critical			
	The North Carolina Natural Heritage d plant & bunched arrowhead on 6/17/10	atabase and NCDOT field surveys for Vii 0 & 5/22/12 determined No Effect.	rginia spiraea, Mountair	sweet pitcher			
6.	Essential Fish Habitat (Corps Requi	irement)					
6a.	Will this project occur in or near an are	a designated as essential fish habitat?	☐ Yes	⊠ No			
6b.	6b. What data sources did you use to determine whether your site would impact Essential Fish Habitat? NMFS County Index						
7.	Historic or Prehistoric Cultural Res	ources (Corps Requirement)					
7a.	 Yes Will this project occur in or near an area that the state, federal or tribal governments have designated as having historic or cultural preservation status (e.g., National Historic Trust designation or properties significant in North Carolina history and archaeology)? 						
7b.	What data sources did you use to dete	ermine whether your site would impact his	storic or archeological re	sources?			
	NEPA Documentation			·			
8. F	lood Zone Designation (Corps Requ	irement)					
8a.	Will this project occur in a FEMA-desig	nated 100-year floodplain?	⊠ Yes] No			
8b.	If yes, explain how project meets FEM/	A requirements: NCDOT Hydraulics Unit	coordination with FEMA				
8c.	8c. What source(s) did you use to make the floodplain determination? FEMA Maps						
Dr. Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph D Applicant/Agent's Printed Name Applicant/Agent's Signature (Agent's signature is valid only if an authorization letter from the applicant is provided.)							



☒ North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission **☒**

TO:

Carla Dagnino, Project Management, Western Region, NEU

Project Development and Environmental Analysis, NCDOT

FROM:

Marla Chambers, Western NCDOT Permit Coordinator

Marla Chambers

Habitat Conservation Program, NCWRC

DATE:

February 11, 2008

SUBJECT:

Scoping review of NCDOT's proposed bridge replacement projects in Buncombe, Clay Henderson, Madison, Mitchell, Surry, Transylvania, Watauga and Yancey

Counties. TIP Nos. B-4715, B-4733, B-4547, B-4987, B-4988, B-4984, B-4581,

B-4820, B-4989, B-5010, B-4668, B-4687, B-4851.

North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has requested comments from the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) regarding impacts to fish and wildlife resources resulting from the subject projects. Staff biologists have reviewed the information provided. The following preliminary comments are provided in accordance with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)) and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661-667d).

Our standard recommendations for bridge replacement projects of this scope are as follows:

- 1. We generally prefer spanning structures. Spanning structures usually do not require work within the stream and do not require stream channel realignment. The horizontal and vertical clearances provided by bridges allows for human and wildlife passage beneath the structure, does not block fish passage, and does not block navigation by canoeists and boaters.
- 2. Bridge deck drains should not discharge directly into the stream.
- 3. Live concrete should not be allowed to contact the water in or entering into the stream.

- 4. If possible, bridge supports (bents) should not be placed in the stream.
- 5. If temporary access roads or detours are constructed, they should be removed back to original ground elevations immediately upon the completion of the project. Disturbed areas should be seeded or mulched to stabilize the soil and native tree species should be planted with a spacing of not more than 10'x10'. If possible, when using temporary structures the area should be cleared but not grubbed. Clearing the area with chain saws, mowers, bush-hogs, or other mechanized equipment and leaving the stumps and root mat intact, allows the area to revegetate naturally and minimizes disturbed soil.
- 6. A clear bank (riprap free) area of at least 10 feet should remain on each side of the stream underneath the bridge.
- 7. In trout waters, the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission reviews all U.S. Army Corps of Engineers nationwide and general '404' permits. We have the option of requesting additional measures to protect trout and trout habitat and we can recommend that the project require an individual '404' permit.
- 8. In streams that contain threatened or endangered species, Mr. Logan Williams with the NCDOT ONE should be notified. Special measures to protect these sensitive species may be required. NCDOT should also contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for information on requirements of the Endangered Species Act as it relates to the project.
 - 9. In streams that are used by anadromous fish, the NCDOT official policy entitled "Stream Crossing Guidelines for Anadromous Fish Passage (May 12, 1997)" should be followed.
 - 10. In areas with significant fisheries for sunfish, seasonal exclusions may also be recommended.
 - 11. Sedimentation and erosion control measures sufficient to protect aquatic resources must be implemented prior to any ground disturbing activities. Structures should be maintained regularly, especially following rainfall events.
 - 12. Temporary or permanent herbaceous vegetation should be planted on all bare soil within 15 days of ground disturbing activities to provide long-term erosion control.
 - 13. All work in or adjacent to stream waters should be conducted in a dry work area. Sandbags, rock berms, cofferdams, or other diversion structures should be used where possible to prevent excavation in flowing water.
 - 14. Heavy equipment should be operated from the bank rather than in stream channels in order to minimize sedimentation and reduce the likelihood of introducing other pollutants into streams.

- Only clean, sediment-free rock should be used as temporary fill (causeways), and should be removed without excessive disturbance of the natural stream bottom when construction is completed.
- 16. During subsurface investigations, equipment should be inspected daily and maintained to prevent contamination of surface waters from leaking fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, or other toxic materials.
- 17. If culvert installation is being considered, conduct subsurface investigations prior to structure design to determine design options and constraints and to ensure that wildlife passage issues are addressed.

If corrugated metal pipe arches, reinforced concrete pipes, or concrete box culverts are used:

- 1. The culvert must be designed to allow for aquatic life and fish passage. Generally, the culvert or pipe invert should be buried at least 1 foot below the natural streambed (measured from the natural thalweg depth). If multiple barrels are required, barrels other than the base flow barrel(s) should be placed on or near stream bankfull or floodplain bench elevation (similar to Lyonsfield design). These should be reconnected to floodplain benches as appropriate. This may be accomplished by utilizing sills on the upstream end to restrict or divert flow to the base flow barrel(s). Silled barrels should be filled with sediment so as not to cause noxious or mosquito breeding conditions. Sufficient water depth should be provided in the base flow barrel during low flows to accommodate fish movement. If culverts are longer than 40-50 linear feet, alternating or notched baffles should be installed in a manner that mimics existing stream pattern. This should enhance aquatic life passage: 1) by depositing sediments in the barrel, 2) by maintaining channel depth and flow regimes, and 3) by providing resting places for fish and other aquatic organisms. In essence, the base flow barrel(s) should provide a continuum of water depth and channel width without substantial modifications of velocity.
- 2. If multiple pipes or cells are used, at least one pipe or box should be designed to remain dry during normal flows to allow for wildlife passage.
- 3. Culverts or pipes should be situated along the existing channel alignment whenever possible to avoid channel realignment. Widening the stream channel must be avoided. Stream channel widening at the inlet or outlet end of structures typically decreases water velocity causing sediment deposition that requires increased maintenance and disrupts aquatic life passage.
- 4. Riprap should not be placed in the active thalweg channel or placed in the streambed in a manner that precludes aquatic life passage. Bioengineering boulders or structures should be professionally designed, sized, and installed.

February 11, 2008

In most cases, we prefer the replacement of the existing structure at the same location with road closure. If road closure is not feasible, a temporary detour should be designed and located to avoid wetland impacts, minimize the need for clearing and to avoid destabilizing stream banks. If the structure will be on a new alignment, the old structure should be removed and the approach fills removed from the 100-year floodplain. Approach fills should be removed down to the natural ground elevation. The area should be stabilized with grass and planted with native tree species. Tall fescue should not be used in riparian areas. If the area that is reclaimed was previously wetlands, NCDOT should restore the area to wetlands. If successful, the site may be used as wetland mitigation for the subject project or other projects in the watershed.

Project-specific comments:

- 1. B-4715, Buncombe Co., Bridge No. 655 over Broad River on SR 2797 (Rock Creek Rd.). Broad River, Class C Trout waters, is expected to support rainbow trout. A moratorium prohibiting in-stream work and land disturbance within the 25-foot trout buffer is recommended from January 1-April 15 to protect the egg and fry stages of rainbow trout. Sediment and erosion control measures should adhere to the design standards for sensitive watersheds.
- 2. B-4733, Clay Co., Bridge No. 11 over Chatuge Lake on NC 175. Chatuge Lake, Class C Trout, is not expected to have reproducing trout. The hellbender (*Cryptobranchus alleganiensis*), Federal Species of Concern (FSC) and state Special Concern (SC) has been observed at the project site. Sediment and erosion control should be well maintained. No additional concerns are indicated at this time. Standard recommendations should apply.
- 3. B-4547, Henderson Co., Bridge No. 45 over Devil Forks Creek on SR 1525 (Dana Rd.). No special concerns are indicated at this time. Standard recommendations should apply.
- 4. B-4987, Henderson Co., Bridge No. 35 over Clear Creek on SR 1572 (Apple Valley Rd.). Clear Creek is classified B Trout waters; however it is also on the 303(d) list of impaired waters. The stream is designated Hatchery Supported Designated Public Mountain Trout Water from the subject bridge upstream and the blotched chub (*Erimystax insiginis*), FSC and state Significantly Rare (SR) occurs downstream. A moratorium prohibiting in-stream work and land disturbance within the 25-foot trout buffer is recommended from January 1-April 15 to protect the egg and fry stages of rainbow trout. Sediment and erosion control measures should adhere to the design standards for sensitive watersheds. Public access should be coordinated for this site according to NCDOT guidelines and agreements with NCWRC.
- 5. B-4988, Henderson Co., Bridge No. 309 over Featherstone Creek on SR 1528. Featherstone Creek, Class C waters, may support rainbow trout; however we will not request a moratorium at this time. If trout are confirmed to be in the area prior to project construction, the rainbow trout moratorium may be requested.
- 6. B-4984, Madison Co., Bridge No. 138 over Big Pine Creek on SR 1151 (Big Pine Rd.?). Big Pine Creek, Class C waters, is Hatchery Supported Designated Public Mountain Trout Water; however significant trout reproduction is not expected this close to the confluence with the French Broad River. Logperch (*Percina caprodes*), state Threatened (T), have been observed at this confluence and the olive darter (*Percina squamata*), FSC and state SC; mountain madtom (*Noturus eleutherus*), state SC; and blotched chub, FSC and state SR; are found downstream in the French Broad River. Stringent sedimentation and erosion control

must be well maintained. Public access should be coordinated for this site according to NCDOT guidelines and agreements with NCWRC.

- 7. B-4581, Mitchell Co., Bridge No. 57 over White Oak Creek on SR 1199. White Oak Creek, Class C Trout waters, is not expected to have significant trout reproduction; however it flows into Cane Creek, which is managed as Delayed Harvest Trout waters by NCWRC and supports the olive darter (*Percina squamata*), FSC and state SC. The state and federally Endangered (E) Appalachian elktoe (*Alasmidonta raveneliana*) inhabits North Toe River further downstream. Stringent sedimentation and erosion control must be well maintained.
- 8. B-4820, Surry/Yadkin Co., Bridge No. 338 over the Yadkin River on SR 1420 and SR 1190 (Gwyn Street). The Yadkin River, Class C waters, supports good numbers of spotted bass and smallmouth bass in the area. Stringent sediment and erosion control should be well maintained. No additional concerns are indicated at this time. Standard recommendations should apply.
- 9. B-4989, Transylvania Co., Bridge No. 148 over Lamance Creek on SR 1326. Lamance Creek, Class C Trout waters, is located in the Nantahala National Forest Game Land and is classified Wild Trout Waters by NCWRC. A moratorium prohibiting in-stream work and land disturbance within the 25-foot trout buffer is recommended from October 15 to April 15. Sediment and erosion control measures should adhere to the design standards for sensitive watersheds. Public access should be coordinated for this site according to NCDOT guidelines and agreements with NCWRC.
- 10. B-5010, Transylvania Co., Bridge No. 27 over Rock Creek on US 64. Rock Creek, Class C Trout waters, supports brown trout in the project area. Oconee stream crayfish (*Cambarus chaugaensis*), state SC; bog turtle, (*Glyptemys muhlenbergii*), state T and federal T due to Similarity of Appearance; and green salamander (*aneides aeneus*), FSC and state E, are found nearby. A moratorium prohibiting in-stream work and land disturbance within the 25-foot trout buffer is recommended from October 15 to April 15. Sediment and erosion control measures should adhere to the design standards for sensitive watersheds.
- 11. B-4668, Watauga Co., Bridge No. 29 over Cove Creek on US 321. Cove Creek, Class C waters, supports trout in the vicinity and downstream in the Watauga River, Class B Trout HQW waters. The green floater (*Lasmigona subviridus*), FSC and state E, and hellbender (*Cryptobranchus alleganiensis*), FSC and state SC, have been observed at the confluence. A moratorium prohibiting in-stream work and land disturbance within the 25-foot trout buffer is recommended from October 15 to April 15. Sediment and erosion control measures should adhere to the design standards for sensitive watersheds.
- 12. B-4687, Yancey Co., Bridge No. 105 over Little Creek on SR 1411. Little Creek, Class C Trout waters, supports rainbow trout in the project area and flows to the Cane River, also Class C Trout waters. The Appalachian elktoe (*Alasmidonta raveneliana*), federal and state E; sharphead darter (*Etheostoma acuticeps*), FSC and state T; and stonecat (*Noturus flavus*), state E, occur in Cane River. A moratorium prohibiting in-stream work and land disturbance within the 25-foot trout buffer is recommended from January 1-April 15 to protect the egg and fry stages of rainbow trout. Sediment and erosion control measures should adhere to the design standards for sensitive watersheds.
- 13. B-4851, Yancey Co., Bridge No. 31 over Brush Creek on SR 1308. Brush Creek, Class C Trout waters, is not expected to support reproducing trout in the project area. It joins the North Toe River, Class C Trout waters, just downstream, which is inhabited by the Appalachian elktoe (*Alasmidonta raveneliana*), federal and state E, and wavy-rayed

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lampmussel (*Lampsilis fasciola*), state SC. Sediment and erosion control measures should adhere to the design standards for sensitive watersheds.

We request that NCDOT routinely minimize adverse impacts to fish and wildlife resources in the vicinity of bridge replacements. The NCDOT should install and maintain sedimentation control measures throughout the life of the project and prevent wet concrete from contacting water in or entering into these streams. Replacement of bridges with spanning structures of some type, as opposed to pipe or box culverts, is recommended in most cases. Spanning structures allow wildlife passage along streambanks, reducing habitat fragmentation and vehicle related mortality at highway crossings.

If you need further assistance or information on NCWRC concerns regarding bridge replacements, please contact me at (704) 984-1070. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this project.

ce: Brian Wrenn, NCDWQ Marella Buncick, USFWS Angie Rodgers, NCNHP Elizabeth Lusk, NCDOT



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Highway Stormwater Program STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN



Version 1,2; Released September 2011) FOR LINEAR ROADWAY PROJECTS Project/TIP No.: B-4715 County(ies): Buncombe Page General Project Information Project No.: B-4715 Project Type: Bridge Replacement Date: 4/26/2012 NCDOT Contact: Randy Henegar, PE Contractor / Designer: Address: 1020 Birchridge Dr. Address: Raleigh, NC 27610 Phone: 919-707-6700 Phone: Email: Email: City/Town: County(ies): Buncombe River Basin(s): Broad CAMA County? No Primary Receiving Water: Broad River NCDWQ Stream Index No.: Primary: Class C; Tr NCDWQ Surface Water Classification for Primary Receiving Water Supplemental: Other Stream Classification: 303(d) Impairments: None **Buffer Rules in Effect** IN/A Project Description Project Length (lin. Miles or feet): 0.072 miles Surrounding Land Use: Residential **Proposed Project** Existing Site Project Built-Upon Area (ac.) 0.35 0.32 ac. Typical Cross Section Description: Average Daily Traffic (veh/hr/day): Design/Future: 300 Existing: 122 General Project Narrative:

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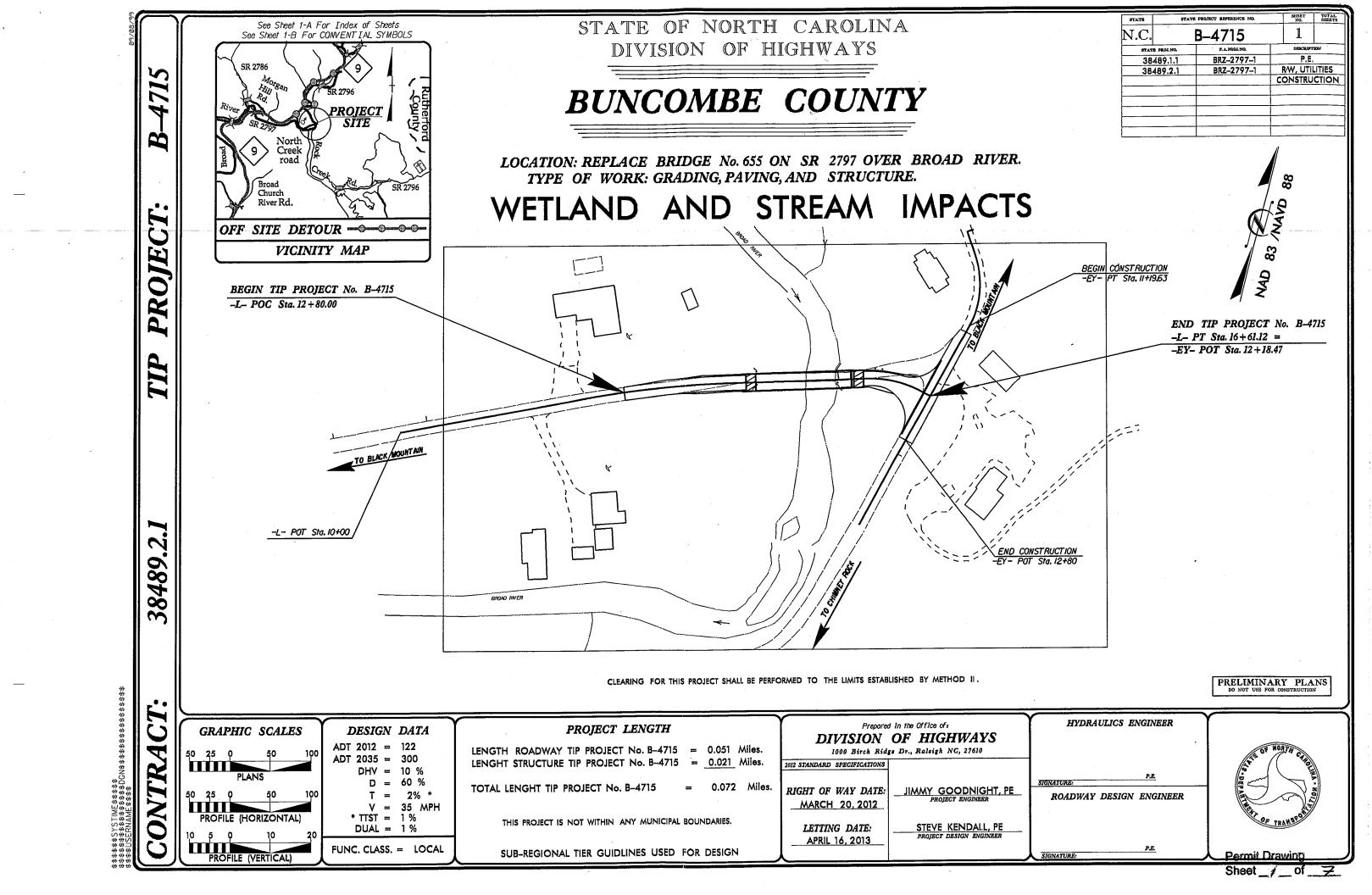


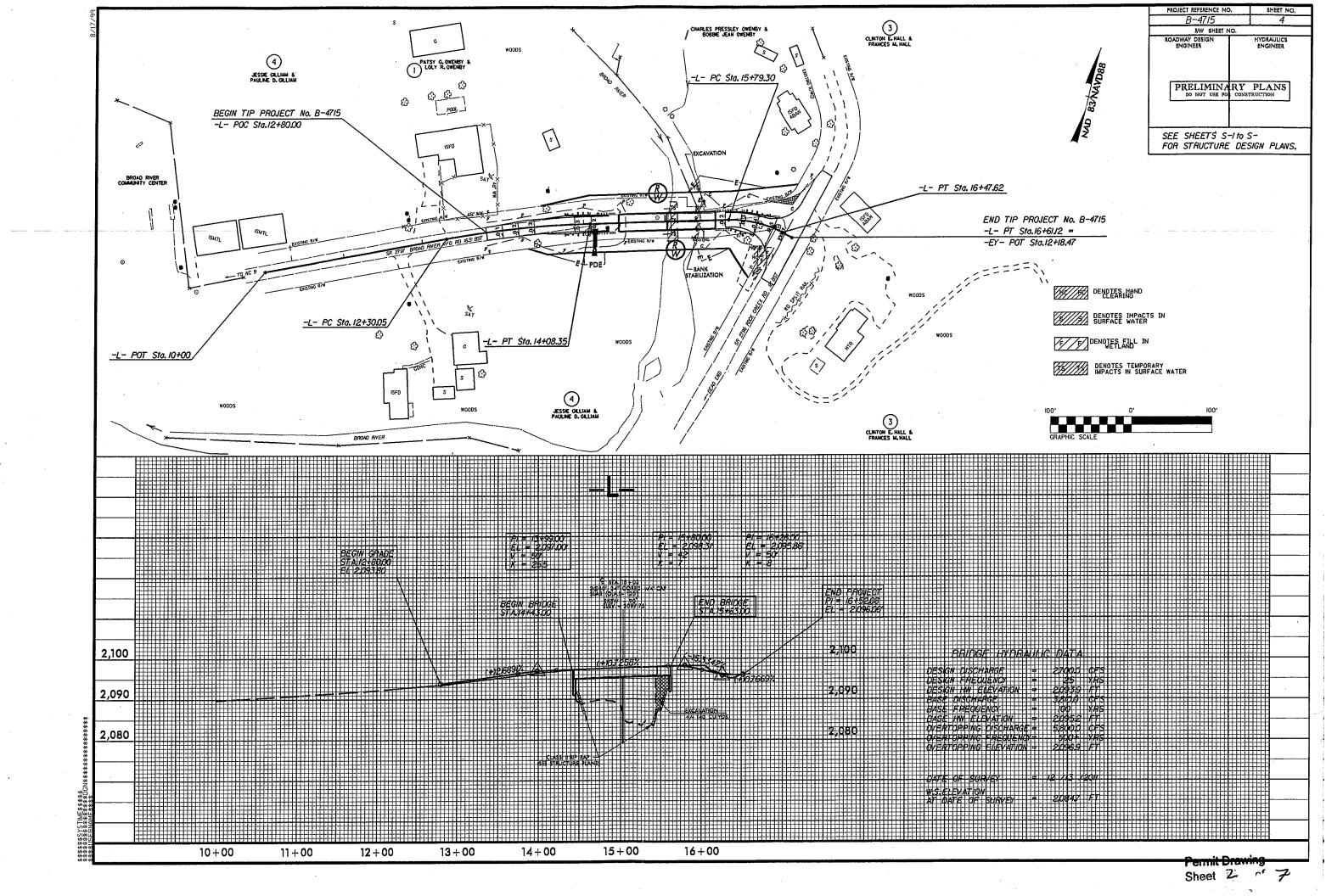
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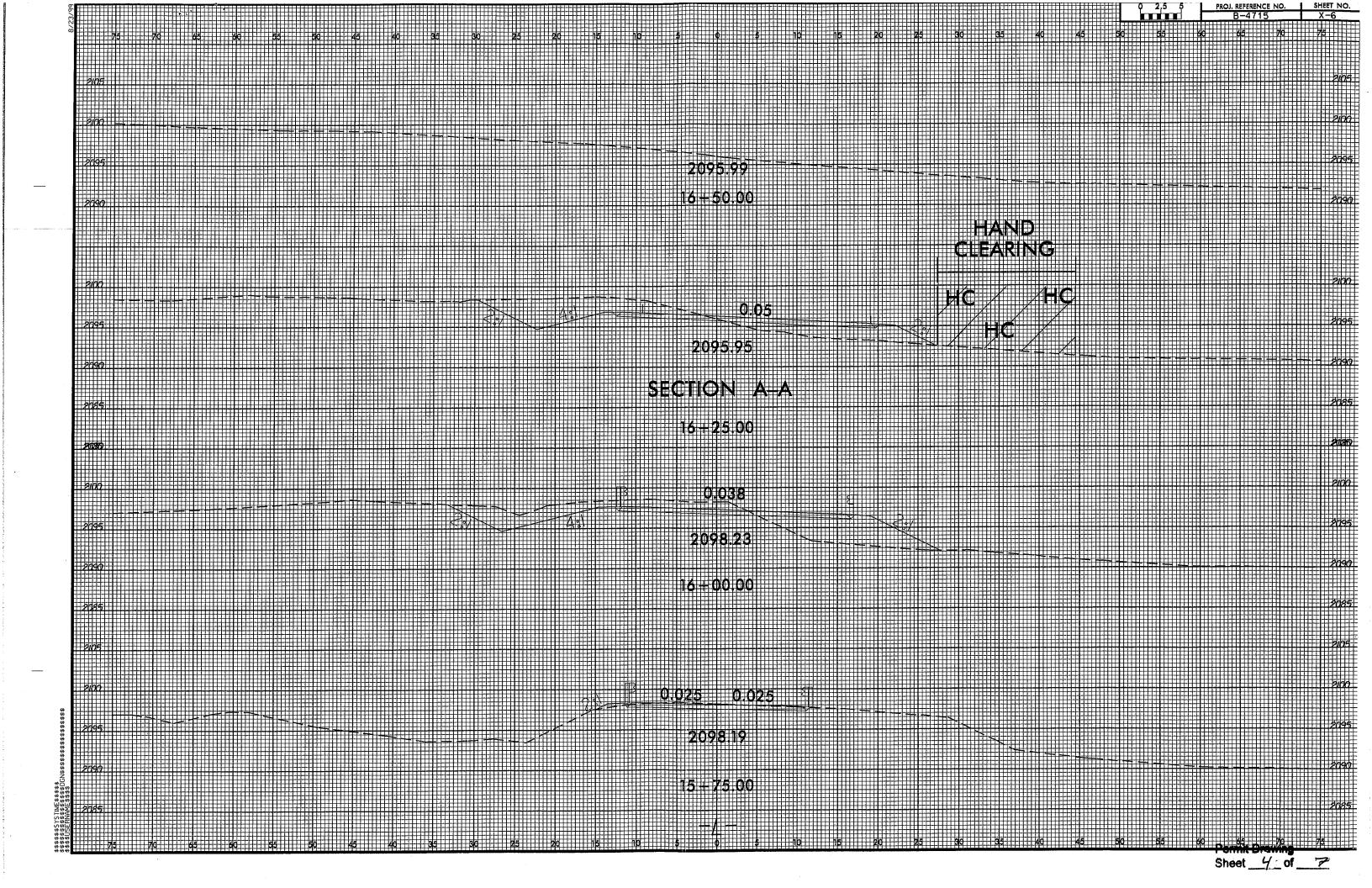
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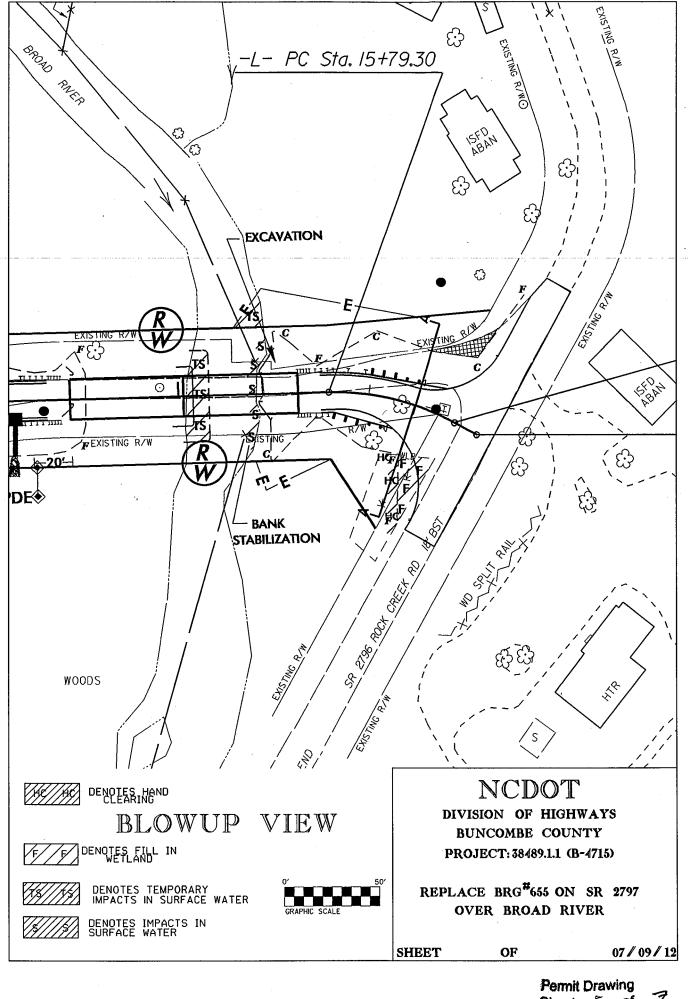


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NC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

BUNCOMBE COUNTY
WBS -38489.1.1 (B-4715)

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PROPERTY OWNERS

NAMES AND ADDRESSES

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ADDRESSES

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CHARLES OWENBY

161 PONDEROSA DR. SWANNANOA, N.C. 28778

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CLINTON HALL

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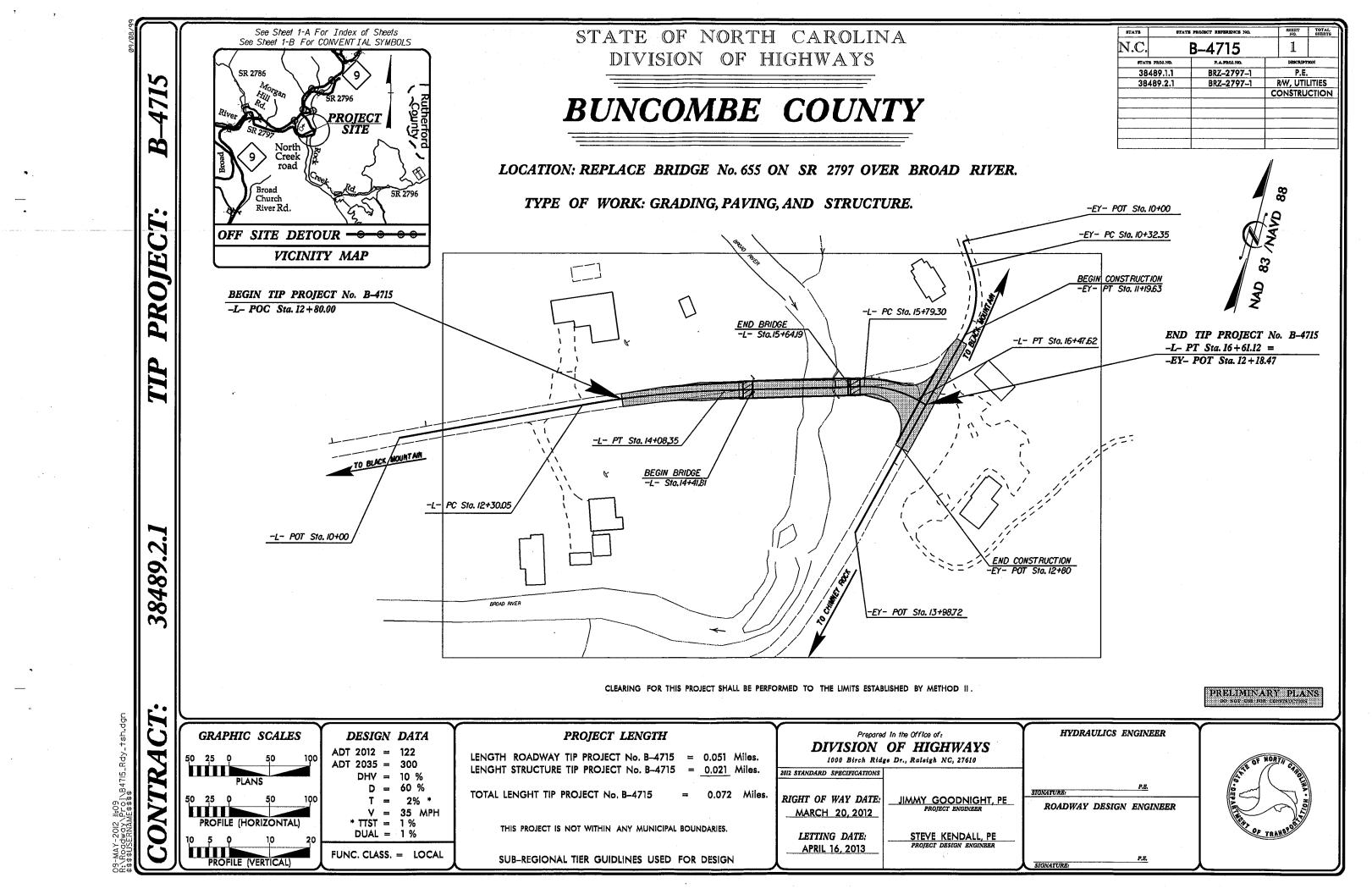
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REPLACE BRG#655 ON SR 2797 OVER BROAD RIVER

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BOUNDARIES AND PROPERTY:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

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Designated U/G Fiber Optics Cable (S.U.E.*) -----

CONVENTIONAL PLAN SHEET SYMBOLS

State Line		
County Line		RAILROADS:
Township Line		Standard Gauge
City Line		RR Signal Milepost
Reservation Line		Switch
Property Line		RR Abandoned
Existing Iron Pin	- <u>©</u>	RR Dismantled
Property Corner	×	RIGHT OF WAY:
Property Monument		Baseline Control Point
Parcel/Sequence Number		Existing Right of Way Marker
Existing Fence Line		Existing Right of Way Line
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Proposed Chain Link Fence		Proposed Right of Way Line with
Proposed Barbed Wire Fence		Iron Pin and Cap Marker
Existing Wetland Boundary		Proposed Right of Way Line with Concrete or Granite RW Marker
Proposed Wetland Boundary		Proposed Control of Access Line with
Existing Endangered Animal Boundary		Concrete C/A Marker
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